

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

**WILBUR, et al.**

Serial No.: 09/750,280

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For: TRIFUNCTIONAL REAGENT FOR CONJUGATION TO A  
BIOMOLECULE

**Confirmation No. 6495**

Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: Shobha Kantamneni

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Mail Stop: Amendment**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 20 March 2009, to which the time for response was set to expire 20 June 2009. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee are submitted herewith to extend the date for response to 20 July 2009. The pending claims, claims 34, 73-74, 99-107 and 109-113, were rejected. Reconsideration and entry of the following amendment(s) are respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.